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1. THE 30TH CEMA MEETING ENDED IN EAST BERLIN

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JULY 9, EACH MEMBER COUNTRY, PLUS THE YUGOSLAVS AND

VIETNAMESE, HAVING SAID THEIR PIECE, AND 16-PAGE COMMUNIQUE HAVING BEEN ADOPTED AND RELEASED. TO UR KNOWLEDGE, LAOS, KOREA, AND ANGOLA DID NOT MAKE FORMAL STATEMENTS. THE QUANTITY OF INFORMATION MADE AVAILABLE TO THE OUTSIDE WORLD - INDIVIDUAL SPEECH SUMMARIES AND TEXTS - MAY BE GREATER THAN AT PAST EVENTS OF ITS KIND. IT IS NOT SUFFICIENT TO DETERMINE EXACTLY WHAT WENT ON, BUT HINTS STRONGLY AT WHAT WAS ON PEOPLE'S MINDS.

2. NEARLY EVERYBODY HAD SOMETHING TO SAY ABOUT ENERGY, FUEL, AND RAW MATERIALS, AND THE EAST EUROPEANS WERE MAKING IT CLEAR TO THE SOVIETS THAT THE PRICE TAG ON CEMA INTEGRATION IS ADEQUATE ACCESS TO FUEL AND RAW MATERIALS. THE ROMANIAN, MANESCU, STRESSED IN PREDICTABLE TERMS HIS COUNTRY'S VIEW THAT CEMA MUST PROMOTE EQUALIZATION OF LEVELS OF DEVELOPMENT AMONG MEMBER COUNTRIES, AND THAT CEMA COOPERATION SHOULD UNITE RATHER THAN REPLACE NATIONAL ECONOMIC INSTITUTIONS.

3. THE MEETING HAD THREE MAIN AGENDA ITEMS: " LONG-TERM GOAL PROGRAMS," A UNIFIED ELECTRICAL ENERGY SCHEME, AND TRANSPORT PLANNING FOR 1976-80 AND BEYOND. THEIR PRECISE FATE IS NOT ENTIRELY CLEAR, ESPECIALLY THE FIRST TWO. IT APPEARS FROM THE COMMUNIQUE, HOWEVER, THAT THE MEETING APPROVED A RESOLUTION TASKING THE PLANNING COOPERATION COMMITTEE WITH FURTHER WORK ON "DRAFT GOAL PROGRAMS", WHICH MAY HAVE BEEN PUT BEFORE THE 30TH MEETING. THERE ARE FIVE "GOAL PROGRAMS", WHICH SET OUT AND DIVIDE UP TASKS FOR THE NEXT 10-15 YEARS IN FIVE KEY FIELDS OF PRODUCTION: ENERGY, FUEL, AND RAW MATERIALS; MACHINE BUILDING; AGRICULTURE; INDUSTRIAL CONSUMER GOODS; AND MODERNIZATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF TRANSPORT. THAT THESE PROGRAMS OF GOALS WERE NOT SIMPLY ADOPTED AT THE MEETING, BUT WERE REFERRED FOR FURTHER STUDY, MAY REFLECT ROMANIAN AND POSSIBLY OTHER RESISTANCE TO THE JOINT PLANNING THAT THE "GOAL PROGRAMS" SEEM TO IMPLY.

4. IN WHAT WAS APPARENTLY A HARD-FOUGHT COMMUNIQUE PASSAGE (THE FINAL VERSION IS PASTED IN OVER A SCISSORED LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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HOLE IN AN OTHERWISE COMPLETE MIMEOGRAPHED DOCUMENT) THE MEETING IS SAID TO HAVE "TREATED" THE GENERAL SCHEME ON LONG TERM DEVELOPMENT OF A UNIFIED ENERGY SYSTEM, INCLUDING YUGOSLAVIA, AND "APPROVED" THE MAIN MEASURES. THIS SUGGESTS TO US THAT THE GENERAL SCHEME AS PRESENTED TO THE MEETING FAILED OF APPROVAL.

5. THE MEETING APPARENTLY HAD NO DIFFICULTY APPROVING

"MAIN DIRECTIONS AND TASKS...IN TRANSPORT FOR 1976-80
AND BEYOND."

6. ONLY THE HUNGARIAN (REFTEL) PUT THE ISSUE OF
PRICES PAID FOR RAW MATERIAL IMPORTS SQUARELY ON THE PUBLIC
RECORD, BUT WE SUPPOSE THAT QUESTION, TOO, GOT PLENTY
OF ATTENTION IN BACK ROOMS AND CORRIDORS. A SECTION
OF THE COMMUNIQUE ON FINANCIAL AND CLEARING ARRANGEMENTS
IS WORTH QUOTING: "THE MEETING IS OF THE
OPINION THAT THE PRESENT SYSTEM OF FOREIGN TRADE,
CURRENCY, AND FINANCIAL RELATIONS OF THE CEMA MEMBER
COUNTRIES CORRESPONDS TO THE INTERESTS OF PLANNED
ECONOMIC COOPERATION; AS WELL AS PROVIDING EQUIVALENCY
OF ACCOUNTING AND EQUAL RIGHTS FOR ALL PARTICIPANTS.
IT WAS ESPECIALLY EMPHASIZED THAT THE CEMA MEMBER
COUNTRIES HAVE FOUND A MUTUALLY ADVANTAGEOUS SOLUTION
OF THE DIFFICULT PROBLEM OF PRICE FORMATION IN
MUTUAL TRADE"

7. MANY SPEECHES AND THE FINAL COMMUNIQUE EXPRESSED CEMA'S
SYMPATHY FOR THE ASPIRATIONS OF THE LDC'S INCLUDING
NON-SOCIALIST ONES, AND SUPPORT FOR THEIR EFFORTS IN THE UN
AN OTHER FORA TO "ACHIEVE AND ASSUME POLITICAL AND ECONOMIC
INDEPENDENCE". ALTHOUGH REFERRED TO APPROVINGLY IN SEVERAL
MEMBER-COUNTRY SPEECHES, CEMA'S APPROACH TO THE EC WAS NOT
MENTIONED IN THE MEETING COMMUNIQUE. COOPER

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